



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Division of Industrial Accidents

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WHEN REPLYING
PLEASE QUOTE I.A.B.
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ATTENTION OF:

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CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 157

TO: ALL INSURANCE COMPANIES, ALL SELF-INSURERS, AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION AGENTS OF DEPARTMENTS OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND COUNTIES, CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS SUBJECT TO THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION LAW (GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 152, AS AMENDED).

The Industrial Accident Board, acting under its discretion conferred by General Laws, Chapter 152, Section 13 and 30, as amended, has voted, effective January 1, 1968, to establish fees for hernia cases, as follows:

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| Single | - - | \$150 |
| Bilateral | - | \$225 |
| Recurrent (Single) | - | \$165 |

The fee includes the charges for the operation and in-hospital care except for the services of the surgical assistant at the operation. The assistant's charge is approved at \$30 for the first hour or fraction thereof plus \$5 for each additional half-hour or fraction thereof.

The charge for post-hospital after-care in a fixed sum of \$25, is to be paid to the surgeon or other physician who performs the after-care.

Very truly yours,

John J. Maloney
Secretary